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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. Customs and Border Protection**

## Accreditation and Approval of Amspec Services, LLC, as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of AmSpec Services, LLC, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that AmSpec Services, LLC, has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of September 26, 2013.

**DATES: EFFECTIVE DATES:** The accreditation and approval of AmSpec Services, LLC, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on September 26, 2013. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for September 2016.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Approved Gauger and Accredited Laboratories Manager, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, that AmSpec Services, LLC, 1818 A Federal Road, Galena Park, TX 77015, has been approved to gauge petroleum and certain petroleum products and accredited to test petroleum and certain petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. AmSpec Services,

LLC is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products from the American Petroleum Institute (API):

API Chapters	Title
3	Tank gauging
7	Temperature determination
8	Sampling
12	Calculations
17	Maritime measurement

AmSpec Services, LLC is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

CBPL No.	ASTM	Title
27-03	ASTM D-4006	Standard test method for water in crude oil by distillation
27-48	ASTM D-4052	Standard test method for density and relative density of liquids by digital density meter
27-13	ASTM D-4294	Standard test method for sulfur in petroleum and petroleum products by energy-dispersive x-ray fluorescence spectrometry
27-04	ASTM D-95	Standard test method for water in petroleum products and bituminous materials by distillation
27-46	ASTM D-5002	Standard test method for density and relative density
27-08	ASTM D-86	Standard test method for distillation of petroleum products at atmospheric pressure
27-11	ASTM D-445	Standard test method for kinematic viscosity of transparent and opaque liquids (and calculations of dynamic viscosity)
27-54	ASTM D-1796	Standard test method for water and sediment in fuel oils by the centrifuge method (Laboratory procedure)
27-53	ASTM D-2709	Standard test method for water and sediment in middle distillate fuels by centrifuge
27-06	ASTM D-473	Standard test method for sediment in crude oils and fuel oils by the extraction method
27-50	ASTM D-93	Standard test methods for flash point by Penske-Martens Closed Cup Tester
27-14	ASTM D-2622	Standard test method for Sulfur in Petroleum Products by Wavelength Dispersive X-Ray Fluorescence Spectrometry.

27-10	ASTM D-323	Standard test method for vapor pressure of petroleum products.
27-58	ASTM D-5191	Standard test method for vapor pressure of petroleum products (mini-method).

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to cbp.labhq@dhs.gov. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories

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